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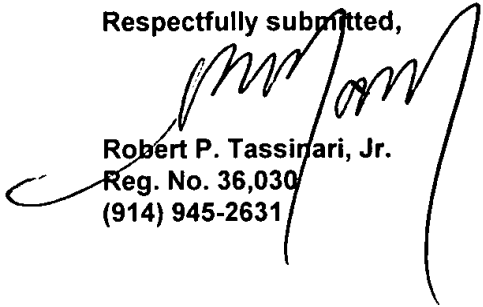
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Dear Sir:

In order to assist in the examination of this application, and in accordance and compliance with 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of the document listed on the attached form PTO-1449 is forwarded herewith.

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